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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: IMPROVEMENTS IN OR RELATING TO CONTROL AND/OR MONITORING SYSTEMS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please enter the following amended claims:**

3. A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein each sector can be enabled simultaneously or independently with the other sectors.
4. A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein each sector has assigned to it at least one event definition parameter.
9. A monitoring system operable by the method claimed in claim 1.
10. Hardware containing a set of instructions for operation of a monitoring system according to the method as claimed in claim 1.
11. A camera operable by the method as claimed in claim 1.

**Please cancel claims 12 - 15.**